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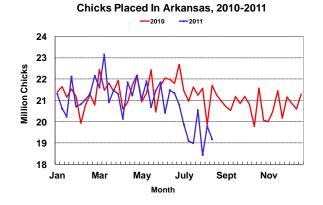
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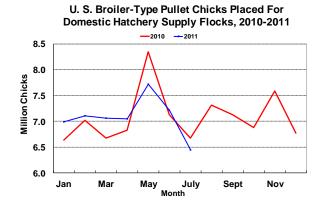
Arkansas Chick Placements Down 12 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 19.2 million during the week ending August 20, 2011. Placements were down 12 percent from the comparable week in 2010 and down 3 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 20.6 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending August 20, 2011, down 13 percent from the same period last year and down 1 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 6.44 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during July 2011, down 3 percent from July 2010.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, July 23, 2011 - August 20, 2011

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	23-Jul	30-Jul	6-Aug	13-Aug	20-Aug	23-Jul	30-Jul	6-Aug	13-Aug	20-Aug
•	1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks				
Alabama	27,358	27,345	27,305	27,157	26,660	19,810	19,449	19,200	19,637	19,823
Arkansas	20,058	20,818	20,810	20,920	20,651	18,983	20,542	18,433	19,788	19,180
Delaware	2,920	3,022	3,167	3,161	3,015	4,770	4,403	4,023	4,853	4,741
Florida	1,352	1,382	1,370	1,358	1,352	1,209	1,184	1,225	1,152	1,150
Georgia	32,256	31,271	31,518	31,666	31,793	28,065	27,696	27,749	27,114	26,255
Kentucky	7,733	7,578	7,727	7,789	7,864	5,881	6,479	6,138	6,077	6,081
Louisiana	3,258	3,258	3,288	3,273	3,243	2,969	2,983	2,960	2,959	2,967
Maryland	7,644	7,510	7,511	7,460	7,451	5,721	4,661	6,940	5,253	4,876
Mississippi	18,417	18,418	18,563	18,440	18,312	15,901	15,845	15,919	16,013	16,058
N. Carolina	19,737	19,845	19,570	19,303	19,518	15,747	16,115	16,069	16,206	15,596
Oklahoma	6,628	6,610	6,489	6,651	6,713	4,057	3,457	4,859	3,820	4,160
Pennsylvania	4,031	3,768	3,933	3,764	3,942	3,122	3,030	3,308	3,264	3,085
S. Carolina	5,476	5,405	5,140	5,404	5,353	3,758	4,051	4,219	4,051	4,008
Texas	14,550	14,716	14,695	13,738	13,462	12,510	12,685	12,321	12,372	12,621
Virginia	5,808	5,787	5,764	5,543	5,826	4,375	5,518	4,221	5,130	5,564
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,345	18,104	19,044	18,994	18,573	16,476	15,379	16,798	15,278	15,662
19 State Total	195,571	194,837	195,894	194,621	193,728	163,354	163,477	164,382	162,967	161,827
Prev. Year Total	208,724	208,549	207,588	206,602	207,381	169,782	170,569	173,173	171,985	171,749
% of Prev. Year	94	93	94	94	93	96	96	95	95	94

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set Down 7 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 194 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 20, 2011. This was down 7 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 85 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Down 6 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 162 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 20, 2011. Placements were down 6 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2011 through August 20, 2011 were 5.59 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.